

**City of Boston**  
**IN**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**CHARLES C. YANCEY AND ALL CITY COUNCILLORS**

**CARIBBEAN CARNIVAL AND CARIBBEAN CULTURE WEEK**

- WHEREAS: Emigration from the Caribbean region to the American Colonies began as early as 1619 with the arrival of indentured workers in Jamestown, Virginia; and
- WHEREAS: A significant number of slaves from the Caribbean region were brought to the United States during the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries; and
- WHEREAS: The countries of the Caribbean faced obstacles of slavery and colonialism and struggled for independence much like the struggles for freedom in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: The people of the Caribbean region have diverse racial, cultural, and religious backgrounds similar to people of the United States; and
- WHEREAS: Caribbean-Americans have played an active role in the civil rights movement and other social and political movements in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: People of Caribbean heritage are found in every State of the Union and have contributed to the heights of America's achievements; and
- WHEREAS: Caribbean-Americans have contributed greatly to education, fine arts, business, literature, journalism, sports, fashion, politics, government, the military, music, science, technology, and other areas in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: This year marks the 37th Anniversary of the Caribbean Carnival in the City of Boston; and
- WHEREAS: The goals of the Caribbean Carnival are to promote ethnic understanding as well as to preserve Caribbean heritage and culture; Be It Therefore
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, congratulates the Caribbean Carnival Committee on the 37th Anniversary of the Caribbean Carnival; And Be It Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, proclaims the week of August 21 through August 28, 2010 as Caribbean Culture Week in the City of Boston.



By: \_\_\_\_\_

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President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010